



The MINUTEMAN



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DALLAS CHAPTER MEETING TXSSAR

Ventana by Buckner
South Tower, Grand Hall
8301 N US 75-Central Expressway
Dallas, TX 75032

AGENDA

Breakfast – 8:00am

Meeting – 9:00am

“Out of clutter, find simplicity. From discord, find harmony. In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity.” – Albert Einstein



Tom Whitelock and Nick Harper at the sign in table. Tom Van Fossen is paying for his breakfast



The Dallas Chapter Meeting is about to start!

Call to Order – President Van Fossen

Rules of Engagement – Vice President Harrison

This meeting is being filmed and recorded. By joining this in-person or virtual meeting of the Dallas Chapter of the TXSSAR, you acknowledge and agree that these proceedings may be made public.

Invocation – Frank Pounders

Pledges – American Flag, Texas Flag, and SAR

Welcome – President Van Fossen – Welcome to all.



We have James Cunningham transferring into our Chapter from California.

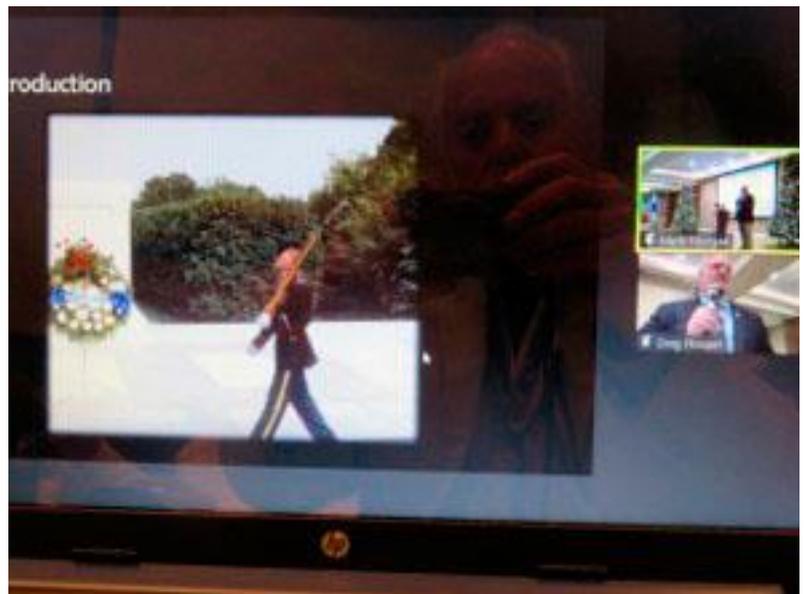
Visiting with us today are; Steve Watson, Amy Stewart, Philip Perry and from the DAR Betty Miller

Introduction of our morning Speaker – President Van Fossen

Greg Hooper

Asst. Relief Commander, Sentinel
Tomb of the Unknown Soldier (1989-1991)

Greg Hooper walking his post at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier during his service at the tomb.



Greg grew up in a small farming community in southern Missouri. After high school, he served in the U.S. Army as a member of the 3rd Infantry Regiment (the Old Guard). For two years, Greg served in the color guard for Charlie Company, doing over 500 full honor funeral ceremonies in Arlington Cemetery. After that, he had the honor of serving for two years as a guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



Greg studied computer science at the University of Central Missouri, and he currently works as a cybersecurity solutions architect.

Greg receiving a certificate, coffee mug and eagle for his service and his presentation.



New Members and Patriots



J. Wayne Stewart – John Inzer

New Supplemental Patriots

Patrick M. Fly | *John Fahnestock*

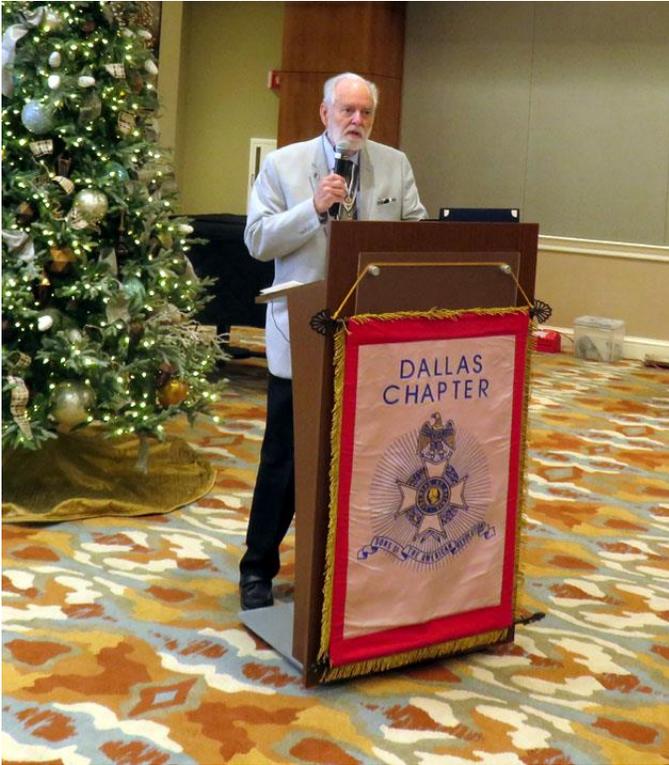


Bill B. Watts | *John Austin, Thomas Gibson, John Lee, Peter Ragsdale, Frederick Thompson, and Stephen Treadwell*



Mark G. Morgan | *Samuel Drennan*

2022 Officer Elections



Proposed Slate of Officers

- ★ President | Mark Harrison
- ★ 1st Vice-President | Tom Van Fossen
- ★ 2nd Vice-President | J. D. Martin
- ★ Secretary | Bill Watts
- ★ Registrar | Mark Morgan
- ★ Assistant Registrar | Jerry Pinkerton
- ★ Historian | Brent Harshman
- ★ Treasurer | Nick Harper
- ★ Chaplain | Frank Ponders
- ★ Color Guard Commander | Bill Watts
- ★ Immediate Past President | Tom Van Fossen

Officers were elected as proposed

Volunteers Needed

Organizations are only as good as the leadership in the organization. You are a member of the Dallas Chapter and as a member of this organization we need your time, skills and dedication to make the Dallas Chapter continue to grow and be successful. We need your leadership if we are to continue to be a successful chapter and a part of the Sons of the American Revolution. As is our tradition, we ask all members to review a list of the many options of service programs and volunteer positions that you may have an interest in and can contribute your talents to help us succeed in our basic mission of providing **Patriotism, Education and American History** to the community, the youth of our country and our ancestors.



Committee Opportunities Available at the Dallas Chapter

- ▶ Public Relations & Publicity
- ▶ Community Service Awards
- ▶ Member Retention
- ▶ CAR Liaison
- ▶ DAR Liaison
- ▶ Annual Audit
- ▶ American History Teacher
- ▶ Brochure Contest (MS)
- ▶ CAR Essay Contest
- ▶ Eagle Scout Essay Contest
- ▶ Knight Essay Contest (HS)
- ▶ Oration Contest (HS)
- ▶ Poster Contest (Elem)
- ▶ Speaker's Bureau

**For more information concerning volunteer opportunities please contact;
Tom Whitelock tmwpro@live.com**

OFFICERS REPORTS

Secretary – Watts – Minutes Approved – Jerry Pinkerton so moved and seconded by Frank Ponders

Treasurer – Treasurer Harper



A Special Certificate for Nick Harper for being a member of the SAR since December 6, 1961. 60 years of continuous service in the SAR.

Budget As of 30 November 2021

Revenue	\$7,730	\$7,395
Expenses	\$7,730	\$5,779
Profit/Loss	\$0	\$1,616

Balance Sheet — Assets Prosperity Bank Account

Opening Balance (31 Dec 2020)	\$7,774
Profit	\$1,616
Closing Balance (30 Nov 2021)	\$9,390

Balance Sheet — Assets North Dallas Bank & Trust Account

Ritchie Fund	\$29,743
Minuteman Fund	\$9,324
AS of 30 November 2021	



2022 Dues Deadline – 31 Dec 2021

Pay online at www.TexasSAR.org/dues.htm
PayPal

Debit Card
Credit Card

Membership ends on 1 January 2022 if payment not received

Dues are due by the end of December. Make sure to pay your dues.

Registrar - Morgan

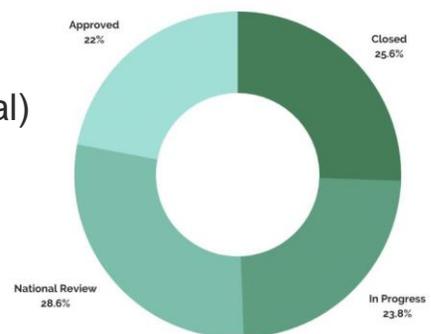
2021 Registrar Activity

In Progress at Chapter — 40 (incl. 13 State Fair prospects)
At National under Review — 48 (6 Regular, 42 Supplemental)
Approved — 37 Closed — 43

2021 New Approvals

New Members Approved — 21 (incl. 3 Junior)
Memorial Applications Approved — 5
Supplemental Applications Approved — 11
New Member Inductions YTD — 20
New Members Inducted Today — 1
New Members to be Inducted — 9

we are only 20 members behind Houston in membership.



Historian - Historian Harshman

History Projects

View 2019 & 2020 Scrapbooks 1st Place State Winners

Send pictures of events for future scrapbooks to:

Brent Harshman **brentharshman@protonmail.com**

Color Guard – Commander Watts

Color Guard Past Events



18 November 2021 McKinney SAR and John Abston DAR chapter meeting featuring Society of the Honor Guard, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, presented by Greg Hooper.

1 December 2021 Presented Medals to Fire Department Station House 37 in Dallas.





4 December 2021 Christmas Parade in Rockwall

Future Events for the Dallas Chapter Color Guard

December 21, 2021 Tuesday – We will present 2020 medals to the Fire Department in Dallas Station House #8, 1904 N. Garrett Avenue Dallas.

2022 Color Guard Events

January 3, 2022 Monday – Post and retrieve Colors at Frisco Lakes Retirement Community 7955 Anthem Dr. Frisco, TX muster 1:30pm.

January 15, 2022 Saturday – Post and retrieve Colors at a New Chapter creation ceremony at the American Legion Post at 308 N. Louise ST. Atlanta, TX muster at 12:30pm. I will be leaving Rockwall at 9am. If you want to ride with me meet me at the Home Depot in Rockwall at 9am. I only have space for 2 more. Bring your own flag.

February 19, 2022 Saturday – George Washington Celebration Parade Laredo, Texas 9am to 1pm.

March 31 – April 3 – Texas State SAR meeting in Richardson, Texas More to follow

April 9, 2022 - Saturday – Patriots Day Celebration during our Chapter meeting.

April 13, 2022 Wednesday – Colonial Day Providence Christian School TBA

April 23, 2022 Saturday – Medal of Honor Parade TBA

May 30, 2022 Monday – Memorial Day Parade TBA

June 14, 2022 Tuesday – Flag Day Celebration TBA

July 4, 2022 Monday – TBA

July 9 – 13, 2022 – National Congress in Savannah, Georgia More to follow

August 26 – 27, 2022 South Central District meeting

September 30 – October 23, 2022 Registration Table at the State Fair of Texas

October 21 – 22, 2022 State BOM in McKinney, Texas

November 6, 2022 Sunday – Massing of the Colors in Fort Worth, Texas

November 11, 2022 Friday – Veterans Day

December 17, 2022 Saturday – Wreaths across America 10:30 Muster

★ These dates and times may change as new information becomes available.

OLD BUSINESS –

Merchandise Table – Tom Whitelock

We have Metal and Wood Challenge Coins, 125th Anniversary Medal Set, and an SAR House Banner to aid our Chapter in the efforts raise money for our youth programs.



NEW BUSINESS –

None.

DOOR PRIZE – Robert Kittrell

A thief stole a calendar and got twelve months for his effort!

BENEDICTION – Frank Pounders

SAR RECESSONAL – The Dallas Chapter Members attending

NEXT MEETING IS SATURDAY JANUARY 8th @ 9:00AM

Join us for our next Chapter meeting:

Saturday, 11 December 2021

08:00 am - Breakfast buffet for \$10 including raffle ticket for door prize

09:00 am - Meeting program

Tom Van Fossen and Bill Watts began an **Annual Lunch** at TJ's Seafood Market at Preston and Royal Lane. Both men love oysters and TJ's served 3 different kinds of oysters on the half shell. Tom ate more than Bill because Bill had breakfast and Tom did not! Tom and Bill want all the members of the Dallas Chapter to join us for seafood next year! Dutch Treat!



Ninety-nine percent of the time when something isn't working in your house, one of your kids did it.

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